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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

NORIYUKI SUZUKI, ET AL.

Appln. No.: 10/080,675

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For: PRINTING APPARATUS AND
PRINTING SYSTEM

Examiner: Unassigned

Group Art Unit: 2853

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Application, a copy of which is enclosed:

<u>APPLN. NO.</u>	<u>INVENTOR(S)</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>
08/767,803	Umezawa, et al.	December 17, 1996	2622



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JP '839 and JP '890 are discussed at page 1 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein. US '434 and US '447 correspond to JP '839 and JP '890, respectively.

JP '922 and JP '360 are discussed at page 2 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein. EP '447 corresponds to JP '922.

US '124, US '262, US '600, US '359, US '333, US '129, US '796, JP '670 and JP '461, which generally relate to ink jet recording, are discussed at pages 24-26 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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